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A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

*“Do not neglect to do good and share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.”
(Hebrews 13:16)*

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I greet you once more in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. During the past month, many of us have been glued to different media trying to get information about our families and or loved ones who have been affected by the mudslides of Sierra Leone and the hurricanes which have left massive destruction in their wake and have resulted in the loss of many lives in several islands of the Caribbean and the United States. The earthquakes that have struck central Mexico have killed over 300 people. These occurrences have taken and continue to take their toll on all involved. Many are without the basic necessities and have no place to call home. It would take a very long time for the survivors of these and other tragedies to get their lives together. Let me express gratitude to all those who have responded to our two appeals this past month to assist survivors of these disasters. The need is still great, and I urge everyone to be generous in the sharing of resources so that others can benefit from them in their



time of need. On another subject, the 195th Anniversary Committee is hard at work preparing to make the upcoming Luncheon (November 11) at Pompei Restaurant a success. If you have not already done so, please purchase a ticket for this event. Also, Journal Ads are still available. You may celebrate your loved ones, a business, a family member, an honoree, an occasion, or even yourselves in the Anniversary Journal. Spaces are available for single name boosters, business cards, quarter, half and full page advertisements. Forms may be obtained from the church office, in the narthex (outside the sanctuary), or from a member of the anniversary committee. The deadline is fast approaching for receiving these Ads, so please respond immediately. May God’s richest blessings be upon us as we work together to build on our legacy.

Yours in His Service,

St. Clair A. Samuel



In the Spotlight



Roger Tatem was born on Nov. 18, 1940 in old Mercy Hospital on Long Beach Road in Hempstead. When his father was told by the doctor that he would be born there, his father said, “That’s an old fire trap.” The doctor quipped, “It has not burned down yet!” And it did not.

He has been fortunate to have very few hospital visits during the course of his life. The only serious visit occurred after he fell off the side of the church while changing light bulbs. That resulted in a slight concussion and a broken finger.

As a member of the United Methodist Church of Hempstead since he was 12 years-old (63 years), he shares some memorable moments from the past: During his youth, in the 1940s, he rode on a bicycle in a Methodist Youth Fellowship production of a bicycle built for two; and enjoyed dinners downstairs in the old building. He recalls when Sunday school classes were held downstairs, in the room now used by the Senior Center, using movable dividers. The space now used as the library was the Pastor’s office, and the church office was in the room now used by the acolytes. The Parish House building was built in his high school days. During Easter

Roger Tatem

sunrise service, a small organ was played outside in the parking lot.

When recalling the summer months, Roger reminisced about services that were held together with the Presbyterian church. Their Pastor would preach in this church, and the Pastor of UMC of Hempstead preached in their church. This gave both pastors vacation time off.

Roger’s Grandfather, ET Berg, helped to bury the tombstones in the grave yard on Washington and Front Streets. A map was saved indicating the location of the stones. This saved the front lawn from street widening by the County, redeeming Church records.

Some years ago, the UMC of Hempstead traded land on Front Street for land on the north side, which was used in building the Parish House. A local undertaker from the Church, Bob Leden, saved remains found on the Front Street property and reinterred them in the “garden area” on the east side of the building.

Roger, a long-time resident of Hempstead, enjoys doing small repairs around the church, and serving as a trustee for the second time.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS



Pictured, (L-R): Phyllis Gill-Pink, Carlson Connor, Anne Hughes-Connor, Ruth Gill, Janethe Gill, Irma Alleyne Mahabir, and Pastor Samuel (back row).



Pictured: Joshua Boucicaut played his saxophone during Worship Service on September 24, 2017.

Photos, courtesy of Linda Gomes



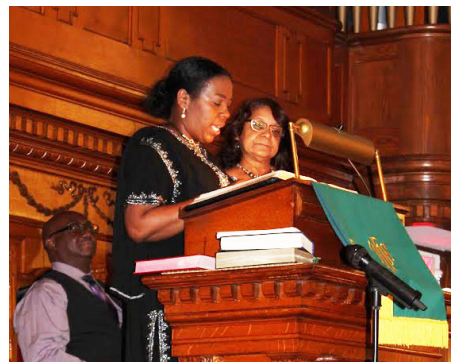
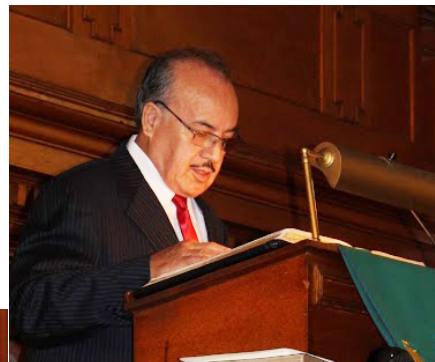
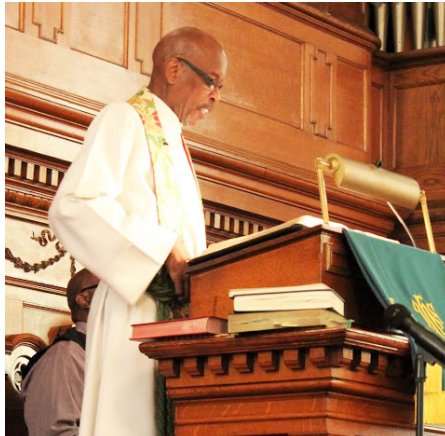
FAMILY AND FRIENDS DAY 2017

A RESOUNDING SUCCESS

Together with our family members and friends, we had an awesome time in the Lord on Family and Friends Day. We were blessed with a beautiful day, an inclusive worship service, and a delicious luncheon. On behalf of the members of the Evangelism Ministry, I want to express my sincere thanks to everyone who contributed their time, talents, and gifts to make this celebration the success it was. A special thank you to Pastor Samuel; we ask God's guidance on you as you shepherd us on our spiritual journey.

God's continued blessings on our church family; help us to work together for the growth and strengthening of our church. God bless!

Grace and Peace,
Pearl Miles-Lee





October Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED.	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Rummage Sale, 9-2 pm
8	9	10 UMW, 10:30 am	11	12	13	14 Finance Meeting, 10 am
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Trustees, 7:30 pm
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 HFB, 11-2 pm
29	30 Church Council, 7:30 pm	31				

PARISH NEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please submit all information (articles, announcements, photos) about events, committee/ministries news, and other information that you can share with our church family to: hempsteadumc@gmail.com, or drop them off in the church office by Oct. 17th.

The next *Parish News* will be distributed in November. Your church-related articles and photos are welcome.

If you are new to the church and wish to become a member, please see Pastor.

CHURCH SCHEDULE

**Sunday: 8:30 AM Bible Study
9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:00 AM Morning Worship
(Social Hour to Follow)**

**After service, Sounds of Praise
Choir Rehearsal
(5-11 years old)**

**Sunday: Service in Spanish, 12:30 PM
Thursday: 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal
Friday: 8:00 PM Youth Fellowship
(Alternate Fridays)**



**Our Church's
Anniversary**



UMC of Hempstead Celebrating 195 Years

**Join Us In the Celebration of Our
Church's 195th Anniversary!**

Saturday, November 11th - 2017

12 Noon to 4:30 pm

Pompei Restaurant in West Hempstead

Tickets: \$50.00 per person

**For information, see Charmaine Fields
or Carol Hicks after Worship Service**

A Note to the Congregation

Jim Love, a former member of the UMC of Hempstead, passed away on Saturday, September 2nd. His wife, Jeannine, resides at : 3665 No. Pine Valley Loop, Lecanto, FL, 34461. In lieu of flowers, the family had suggested donations to UMCOR.



Journal Ads

195TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2017
SOUVENIR JOURNAL CONTRACT

Your contributions will enable us to make this a keepsake for years to come.

I (We) _____, agree to take _____ page advertisement to be printed in the Souvenir Journal of the 195th Anniversary of the United Methodist Church of Hempstead, and hereby agree to abide by the terms as set forth in this contract. Ad rates are as follows:

- Front Cover (Inside) \$275.00
- Back Cover (Inside) \$275.00
- Back Cover (Outside) \$300.00
- Gold Page \$200.00
- Silver Page \$175.00
- Full Page \$100.00
- Half Page \$55.00
- Quarter Page \$30.00
- Business Card \$25.00
- Booster (Single Name) \$5.00

**Separate photographs require an additional charge of \$20.00 each
All ads submitted must be camera ready.**

Please Print Legibly

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Telephone () _____ Email _____

Please submit contract with ads and appropriate payments on or before Wednesday, October 4, 2017. Make all checks payable to: **United Methodist Church of Hempstead**

Please mail to: The United Methodist Church of Hempstead
Attn: 195th Anniversary Souvenir Journal
40 Washington Street
Hempstead, New York 11550





Sunshine Column



BIRTHDAY LIST - HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

James Ross	October 3rd
Gloria Howard	October 6th
Miriam Richards	October 8th
Marsha Powell-Williams	October 11th
Gladys Parker	October 14th
Michelle McCullers	October 14th
Royston Bailey	October 15th
Nicole Boucicaut	October 16th
Joshua Boucicaut	October 16th
Jade Valeris	October 16th
Phyllis Harper	October 17th
Ashia Thomson	October 24th
Damali Bernadotte	October 25th
Alexandrine Bucknor	October 27th
Nicole Bucknor	October 29th
Maurice Bailey	October 31st



POETIC REFLECTIONS: FORGIVENESS

*Do you find it easy to forgive?
 Is it to let the injured think you're smart?
 Do you forgive, yet find it difficult to
 forget? Is forgiveness for the healing of
 your heart?
 Is Compassion a part of your
 forgiveness?
 Do your words carry a 'Gentle Spirit'?
 Do you react in Kind as you speak?
 Do you speak only to convey a form
 of merit?
 How often then are we to forgive?
 "Seventy times Seven" – that was
 Jesus' reply*

*For this we need Endurance
 and Patience
 Only through God's boundless Grace
 do we abide
 'Forgiveness' then, is
 God's specified way of life
 As He forgave us, so should we
 forgive others
 Strive to live peaceably with
 all mankind
 We're not just people - we're sisters
 and brothers.*

*Janice Wellington
 Sept. 2017*

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HEMPSTEAD FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH: SEPTEMBER 23, 2017



A LETTER TO THE HEMPSTEAD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH COMMUNITY

Dear Beloved,

I continually thank God for all of you and the love and support you have provided Leon and me throughout these difficult past several months. The recent passing of my dad left such a void in my life. Although dad was 98 years of age and I knew that the end of our together time was rapidly approaching, I was not ready for him to leave me. Even as I pen these words, their remains a profound sadness in my heart. But if it were not for you all, I would surely have been overwhelmed with this sadness. And so for your numerous expressions of sympathy, the cards, calls, hugs, and prayers extended us, I will forever be grateful. My heart is so full of love for you - God Bless You.

Forever yours in Christ,
8 *Rev. Elizabeth L. Williams*

